

The Rotherwick News

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Spotted in Rotherwick



Where is it? Answer on back page.

ERINACEOUS EUROPAEUS?



A rather prickly subject...

Did you know that there are about 16 or so species of hedgehog in existence? These are spread throughout the world, except for the far north (including Russia, and also most Scottish islands). However, the one we are familiar with in the UK is *Erinaceus europaeus* (which, in the past, was sometimes known as “hedgепig” or “urchin”). Hedgehogs, according to the RSPCA, are one of Britain’s most recognizable and well-loved animals.

Baby hedgehogs (Hoglets) are born blind and deaf, usually around May or June, in litters of about 4 or 5. They’ll be independent by the time they are about 8 weeks old, and will already have been foraging for food with their mother since the age of about 4 weeks.



Usually, hedgehogs will hibernate some-time between November and mid-March, depending upon the weather. However, in mild years they may be active until December.

Over the past few years there have been various articles written about hedgehogs in the UK, giving details of how we need to take care of them if we spot them in our gardens but, unfortunately, they are now in decline. This could be due to an increase in traffic, use of garden pesticides, destruction of habitats, or garden hazards such as ponds or netting. Another problem today is that many gardens are fenced, or walled in completely, therefore denying hedgehogs any access - just think of all those pesky slugs, beetles and various other bugs threatening your cabbages and other brassicas that the hedgehogs **could** dispose of for you (“The Exterminator Rides Again!”).

Not only that, they will also eat caterpillars, earthworms, snails, as well as frogs, snakes and carrion, and even birds’ eggs. I’ve never seen a hedgehog climb a tree (hmm!) and so I guess that any eggs they do eat must have fallen from the nest. You can see one attempting to climb a tree in this video [Can hedgehogs climb trees? - UHD 4K \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...) (courtesy Steve Downer, Wildlife Cameraman, YouTube).

Back to fences and walls. It's relatively easy to make a "hedgehog highway" through your garden so that they can move around the local area. In order to do this you will need to make a hole in the gravel boards beneath your fence,



roughly 13cm x 13cm, or leave a gap in walls at ground level, making sure there are no rough edges. Before doing so, please do check with your neighbour that the fence is not owned by *them*, otherwise humans in Rotherwick could also fall into decline! Another option I've noticed is at a garden in Newnham, where a very nice mini-arch has been built into a garden wall. During the night hedgehogs can travel about 2 km, and so allowing them to pass through our gardens is crucial to them finding food..

If you plan to feed them, please don't give them bread and milk as they are lactose intolerant; also they should not be fed meal worms or sunflower hearts (which contain little or no nutrition), or peanuts, which can wedge in the roof of their mouth causing obstructions or infections (www.prickles&paws.org) which are linked to the development of metabolic bone disease.

We've often had hedgehogs nesting in our garden, and also have many visiting the garden each year. We enjoy watching their antics as they go about their business, often grunting loudly as they go - that's the hedgehogs, not us! Oh well, I suppose we *all* groan a bit as we get older.

Lin

Heavy Heart

It's with immense sadness and with a heavy heart that I feel this will be my last article for the Rotherwick News, as we are moving.

Over the years I have written over 30 articles for the magazine. Some have been about what the cubs and scouts have been up to, the rest are basically anything that I thought might be of interest, even if only slightly.

Mar/Apr 2022 Vol 34 Edition 3, Bells, Bangs and Branches. This was a very stormy time where all around Rotherwick we had trees and big branches falling and blocking roads. This was also around the time that Evan my lad started bell ringing. The whole class at Whitewater had been asked and he said yes. (2 years on and he's still ringing and he's since rung at York Minster, Winchester Cathedral and St Paul's in London, along with a multitude of different churches around the country).

Jun/Jul 2022 Vol 34 edition 6, The Pest House in Odiham. For anyone who hasn't yet made it to the back of the churchyard in Odiham, there is a pest house. Open most days as it is now a small museum. One of only 5 left in the country.

Jul/Aug 2022 Vol 34 Edition 7, Myself and Evan spent the weekend at the Chalke Valley History Festival in Broads Chalk, Wiltshire, mingling with historians, listening to talks and checking out the history that this great country has to offer. There are reenactors everywhere, King Charles 1 to WW2 pilots. (It's on every year and we are going again this year).

Jan/Feb 2023 Vol 35 edition 1, I wrote a piece about The Rotherwick Tea Towel. For the benefit of those who are new to the village, this was a tea towel where I asked residents if it was possible to draw their house for the benefit of fund raising for scouts. I then had 300 tea towels made that we then sold to raise funds for the scouts. I believe we have about 20 left.

Jul/Aug 2023 Vol 35 Edition 8, in this edition I asked if anyone knew what was happening to Rooks Farm and how and why it was being left just to rot and fall into disrepair? I still wonder how this can be allowed to happen.



Oct/Nov 2023 Vol 35 Edition 10, it's all about Pumpkins in this month's mag. Picking your very own Pumpkin from our very own Rotherwick Pumpkin Patch. A great time was spent walking around the patch looking for that perfect pumpkin to carve for Halloween.

Jan/Feb 2024 Vol 36 Edition 1, Pen and Ink. This article is about why I draw. How I started, what I sketch and why I find mindfulness in drawing. Did you know I can draw your house for that special person, making it a very personal present or gift. All my drawings and sketches can be found on Instagram @danartisan

Apr/May 2024 Vol 36 Edition 4 and Can they fix it? The repair cafe visited Rotherwick Village Hall and we took along an old Bakelite radio from the 1940s. The answer was a resounding yes they can and they also fitted it with a bluetooth adapter so now we can listen to anything we like on our fantastic old radio.

We have always used both public houses, the Coach and Horses (it's only 5 doors away) and the Falcon (let's hope it opens again soon).

We are not frequent church regulars but we have taken part in some services, christenings, funerals, Christmas carols, Remembrance days and bell ringing every Tuesday. We have even been trusted with the big key to open it up and along with all this I've even been seen cleaning it!

We love the fact we have an old but new village hall and fantastic countryside surrounding the village. Long may this be the case due to the work the guys and girls put into the Rotherwick neighbourhood plan 2016 - 2032.

Rotherwick Scouts. I have been an active member of our local scout group since taking Evan to his first Beaver night and meeting Sue and Ricky. So I became a leader and then ran Beavers, helped cubs and scouts during lockdown via zoom and then became the Scout leader. I hope that they take something away from my time as a scout leader even if it is only how to light fires and make medieval whisks.

Most of all it's the people. We will miss the people, those who live in the village, those who frequent the village. From the bell ringers, the scouts, the parents, the staff and patrons of the pubs, the dog walkers, the guys and girls that would watch the sport up the playing field and basically anyone who we have come into contact with. You are all a wonderful eclectic mix of individuals and our memories of you all will be another chapter in our life.

As a family we would like to say goodbye and thank you as we are busy preparing for our move at the end of July.

Dan, Kelly and Evan

You are all going to be very much missed by the villagers and we would like to say huge thanks to you Dan, for all your interesting articles that you have written each month. We shall miss those too.

Wishing you, Kelly and Evan every happiness in your new chapter.





Quiz of the Month

May Questions

1. In her first social media post since 2020, who has announced the launch of a new lifestyle brand called American Riviera Orchard?
2. In rugby union's Six Nations Championship, which team received the wooden spoon after losing all of their matches for the first time since 2003?
3. Which former British prime minister was news editor of The Church Times from February 1948 to September 1949?
4. If all the tiles were used in a game of scrabble, how many squares would remain uncovered?
5. Hermione Makepeace is the real name of which character from the comic The Beano?
6. Which famous artist once said "It took me four years to paint like Raphael, but a lifetime to paint like a child"?
7. According to a well-known proverb, "April showers bring what"?
8. Which 1983 film was advertised with the tagline "just when you thought it was safe to go back to the shower"?
9. What Italian word for "barley" is used in English to refer to a type of pasta that is shaped like a large grain of rice?
10. What is the most populated city in the world that isn't a capital city?

'Quizinquisitor'

Answers to last month's quiz are on page 20



Heckfield, Mattingley and Rotherwick Church Services

You are very welcome to join us in June 2024



June 1st
11am

HECKFIELD
Holy Communion

June 9th
8.30am
11am
6.30pm

ROTHERWICK
Holy Communion
Morning Worship
Evensong

June 16th
8.30am
11am

MATTINGLEY
Holy Communion
Matins

June 23rd
8.30am
11am

HECKFIELD
Holy Communion
Morning Worship

June 30th
11am

ROTHERWICK
Benefice Holy Communion with Junior Church

www.whitewaterchurches.co.uk
Details of all our activities and services are on our website.
Download our Notice Sheet from the front page.

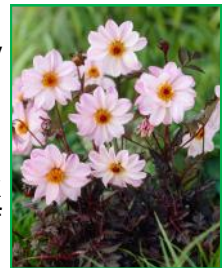


Get Gardening



Hooray, at last the weather has improved, the trees are out, plants are starting to flower, even the cuckoo has made an appearance (we heard our first one on 30th April). Although, as I write this it's raining! However, there is much to do, we now have some raised vegetable beds, I have been able to plant some vegetables under cloches and I'm hoping by the middle of May my beds will be sorted. Although, as always happens I never quite end up with what I planned to plant. Instead of chervil roots, I have celeriac, I've a yellow cucumber and three times as many raspberries as I intended, so netting will be a must! Unfortunately, the netting I bought a while back didn't survive so I'm hoping (with a bit of help and google) to make my own by covering posts attached to my new raised beds. I've plans to make an entrance although how easy that will be I'm not yet sure. This year I decided to buy some vegetable plugs otherwise I just have too many, but I will sow lettuce etc. and I collected some seeds from my runner beans last year so I'm hoping they will successfully grow this year.

I've sown some larkspur seeds and some new dahlia tubers. I thought I had lost last year's dahlias as they were shooting in April and then got caught by a frost, but amazingly they have started to shoot again.



www.farmergracy.co.

My favourite dahlias are those that don't really look like dahlias, such as Bishop of Dover, Bishop of Leicester or Teesbrooke Audrey. I use peony supports to hold them up to stop them flopping. Peonies



My tree peony

are another love of mine, although I have a tree peony which seems to refuse to flower. It has never grown above about 12". Lack of flowers can mean they are planted too deeply and they can take several years to flower, but not growing any higher is a mystery to me, unless I inadvertently bought a miniature? They do like loose soil which to be fair clay isn't so maybe the soil needs

more work or maybe it's planted in the wrong place, although moving it is not recommended. They originate from China and are usually hardy, taking a while to establish but can last for 50 to 80 years, therefore, as mine is relatively young there's hope yet (www.paramountplants.co.uk).

Catherine

Something to remember.....

"The sun was warm but the wind was chill.
You know how it is with an April day.
When the sun is out and the wind is still,
You're one month on in the middle of May.
But if you so much as dare to speak,
a cloud come over the sunlit arch,
And wind comes off a frozen peak,
And you're two months back in the middle of March."



By Robert Frost (www.gardendigest.com/monmay)

I thought this summed up what a garden is
for.....



Best to marvel at your flowers
Before the busy coming hours
the perfect time to be alone
without the stress or mobile
phone.

The time to plan what you will do
with no one interrupting you.
A quiet time to come on down
and
wander in your dressing gown.

A peaceful time to stroll out there
or take the nearest garden chair,
and think about your space a bit

and wonder what might add to it.

Just pottering around the lawn
can often make one feel reborn.
There's so much stress around
today,
but out there it can float away.

And once you're through the gar-
den door,
some things don't matter any
more,
or far less than they did before.
I think that's what a garden's for.

By Liz Cowley (www.dailymail.co.uk)

Warehouses at Junction 5 – An Update



We haven't seen or heard much recently about the proposal to build a gigantic warehouse distribution site on 80 acres of Lodge Farm. However, the threat has not gone away and we await the submission to Hart District Planning (HDP) of the next variation.

The would-be developers, "Obsidian Strategic", announced last year that they would be putting in an "Outline Application" in the first Quarter of 2024. Well – that hasn't happened. And we have no indication of when it might. The planning process is slow, but thorough. It begins with receipt by HDP of the application, which then has to go through a period of "validation", during which HDP makes sure that all the supplied documentation is present and correct. For a large and complex application that might take as little as a couple of weeks, but could be as long as 16 weeks. Only when validation is complete will the application appear on HDC's website and comments are requested from the public. The "normal" time allowed for public comment is 21 days.

Meanwhile, the protest organisation, Villages Oppose Warehouses, or VOW, has not been idle and has now briefed every parish and town council in the area – all 26 of them. VOW has also held two Public Meetings, one in Odiham and one in Hook. A third is planned for Hartley Wintney on the evening of Tuesday 25th June.

It's worth keeping an eye on the two key websites for further announcements:

<https://publicaccess.hart.gov.uk/online-applications/>
www.villagesopposewarehouses.org

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How shall this day be spent?
A doze, above a book?
Nay, better were it that I went
To Rotherwick and Hook.



An hour or so I'll give
Exploring Hazeley Heath;
Where lightening-swift grey lizards live,
While Bramshill spreads beneath.



And noon shall find me lain
'Mid oaks at Hartley Row;
On fallen leaves, by thousands slain
When hurricanes o'er blow.



The watch-hands on my wrist
Their journeys will increase;
And soon I'll see the zenith kissed
By clouds like rosy fleece.



Then as I bid good-bye,
And townward start for tea,
Back will I glance – and in the sky
Day's valediction see.



S. E. Collin

Note: This poem, which I came across whilst carrying out some research some years ago, was published in the Reading Mercury in 1939 (85 years ago!). I haven't been able to find out who S. E. Collin was, but perhaps YOU know?. If so, please tell us. Lin

Annual Appeal for Donations



**A huge thank you
to all of you have made a donation to help fund
the printing costs
for the magazine for the next year.**

It is not too late to make a donation if you would still like to - the bank details are below.

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Amanda and Sue

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A snail has about 25,000 teeth

Thomas Edison, inventor of the light bulb was afraid of the dark.

The tongue is the strongest muscle in the body.

It takes about 200,000 frowns to make permanent wrinkle.

The elephant is the only mammal that can't jump.

(Taken from The Ultimate Loo Book by Mitchell Symons).



Rhubarb and Orange Jam



I'm always looking for different ways to use my rhubarb when it's in season as I appear to be the only one in my household who truly loves it. Even though I'm always up for a crumble, there is a limit to how many can be consumed without overkill. Enter this delicious, tangy jam recipe with its hint of orange.

Makes X2 500ml jars approx
2 oranges
800g rhubarb trimmed and cut into bite size pieces
500g sugar

Method

1. Pare the zest from the oranges, cut into thin strips and put in a large mixing bowl. Remove the rest of the peel and discard it.
2. Cut the orange flesh into thin slices and then quarter them. Remove any pips. Add to the orange zest along with the rhubarb and the sugar. Cover with cling film and leave for a few hours or overnight to macerate.
3. Transfer the mixture to a preserving pan or wide saucepan and stir over a low heat until all the sugar is dissolved. Turn up the heat and bring to the boil, then reduce heat and simmer for about 20 minutes until thick. Be sure to stir frequently to prevent the mixture sticking and burning. Transfer into clean, sterilised jars, seal and leave to cool. Store in a cool dark place for up to 6 months.

Adapted from an old Waitrose recipe

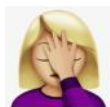
Marion Robak

What happened after an explosion at a French cheese factory?

A: All that was left was de brie.

Did you hear the one about the guy who invented Tic Tacs? They say he made a mint.

It was an emotional wedding. Even the cake was in tiers.





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Where would you see these around the village?



Answers on back page.

Rotherwick Bulk Oil Buying Club

A Community Service

It's some time since details of the Rotherwick Bulk Oil Buying Club were reported in the Rotherwick News. With several new residents moving into the village over the past 3-4 years, who may not know about the Club, now seems a good time to explain how it works.

The Rotherwick Bulk Oil Buying Club is not a company, it's a club coordinated by a local resident (currently Bob Humble) on behalf of domestic oil users in Rotherwick and the surrounding area.

Anyone in the area can sign up to be on the email distribution list. All they have to do is email rotherwickbulkoil@gmail.com giving their FULL details (name, address, phone number and email).

When any member needs oil, they can email rotherwickbulkoil@gmail.com to say they're ready for oil. The coordinator then emails out to the whole group, asking if anyone else wants a delivery.

Anyone wanting oil then replies to the coordinator advising whether they want a "top-up", giving an estimate of the number of litres they think it will be, or they can order a specific number of litres (minimum 500L)

If there are enough people wanting a delivery, the coordinator goes out for quotes from suppliers. The supplier with the best overall offer (price/service/delivery) will be selected by the coordinator.

The coordinator lets everyone know what the price per litre is, who the supplier is and expected delivery date (observing the closing time/date for a response). If someone changes their mind about ordering, at this point, they just email the coordinator saying so and they'll be taken off the list for that delivery. They will remain on the email distribution list for future bulk buys.

The coordinator sends the supplier the name, address and quantity required for everyone who's participating in that order.

Each person is responsible for making payment to the supplier based on the quantity actually delivered.

NOTE

Members will only get deliveries when they actively say they want to participate in the current round of buying.

Bob Humble

COUNTY MATTERS – May 2024

Councillor Jonathan Glen

Hampshire County Council Member for Hook, Odiham
& The Western Parishes

Highways Information

****Additional road repairs funded by HS2****

The Government's cancellation of HS2 resulted in local councils being given additional funding to bring forward road repairs in this financial year and in each of the next 11 years.

Hampshire was awarded £4.22 million last year, which has meant we will be able to bring forward additional road improvement schemes into this year's programme.

You can read the full list here: [https://
www.hants.gov.uk/.../20241903NetworkNorthHampshir...](https://www.hants.gov.uk/.../20241903NetworkNorthHampshir...)

I don't have dates for further work in our area as yet but it will undoubtedly be before the autumn.

Reporting Highway Problems

Links to report road issues are here:

Potholes: [https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/
roadproblems/potholes](https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/potholes)

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reportaproblem](https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/rightsofway/reportaproblem)

When reporting an issue, you'll be sent an email confirming a reference number for the report. If you would like me to follow this up for you then do please forward that message to me and I will chase for you. Please include written permission to use and send on your email to the relevant department, as this will speed things up considerably.

Food Waste collections

Most district and borough councils in Hampshire have been given a grant of over £1.33 million to pay for the new infrastructure needed to introduce separate food waste collections - kitchen caddies, roadside ones and the lorries to collect the food waste on a weekly basis.

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The challenge is that while the government has provided money for the equipment needed to collect food waste, there is no funding provided to allow for its useful disposal.

In Hampshire the district, borough and city councils collect your waste (the collection authorities), while the county council has the responsibility for disposing of it.

Currently Hampshire's food waste is mixed with the general waste and is taken to the energy recovery facilities at Portsmouth, Matchwood and Chineham to be turned into electricity. The ideal route for treatment of separated food waste would be to take it to an anaerobic digester, where the gas created could be used for energy production, leaving behind a fertiliser to be used in agriculture.

Plans have been approved to turn one of the Material Recycling Facilities (MRF), near Alton, into an anaerobic digestion site - but, until such time as the Government provide clarity on how they anticipate the national 'Simpler Recycling' scheme will work it is impossible to know whether we will be able to do without the Alton MRF as part of the general recycling infrastructure and therefore build the anaerobic digester which would be needed to enable the food waste collection process.

Affording that change, without any additional funding from Government, is also a huge challenge.

It's very frustrating. We know residents of Hampshire want to be able to recycle more, as we do on the councils. Having insisted on instructing councils how to proceed with recycling in the autumn, we are left waiting on the Government to tell us how we can do that. And as time passes, so does the opportunity to introduce the system as quickly as we would like, and in time for the target the Government have themselves set in April 2026.

You can read the BBC story here: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-hampshire-68665029>

Footpaths/Rights of Way and bluebells

I thought it might be helpful therefore to share this with you. The [Hampshire County Council](#) website has a copy of the definitive map, which shows you in detail all of the byways, bridleways and public footpaths in the county.

The map can be accessed here:

<https://maps.hants.gov.uk/rightsofwaydefinitivemap/>

Click on this link and enter 'Hook and Odiham'.

Big Changes Coming to Hampshire County Council Offices

 Hampshire County Council is set to review proposals this week aimed at reducing office accommodation across the county. This move is all about consolidating staff into fewer buildings and saving those precious pennies on running costs.

 What's the plan? The strategy will roll out over the coming years, focusing on adapting to changing work patterns and making sure the council's facilities are up to snuff. With many staff working remotely or directly in the community (think local services like social care for our vulnerable neighbours), it's clear that the way we work is evolving.

 This isn't just about cutting costs. It's about ensuring access to public services remains robust for everyone in Hampshire. From libraries to register offices, no public service closures are on the table—just smarter use of the space we have.

 This is all about staying efficient, effective, and, most importantly, close to the community's heart. While some staff might see changes in their work locations, the goal is to keep everything running smoothly without a hitch to services or the public.

You can read more here:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20240603Officeaccommodation>
[#Hampshire](#) [#LocalGov](#) [#Sustainability](#) [#CommunityServices](#) [#OfficeConsolidation](#) [#PublicServices](#)

As ever if you have any queries, thoughts or comments on any of the above issues, or indeed anything else on your mind, just email me on jona-than.glen@hants.gov.uk (and please again, give me written permission to use your contact details).

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April Quiz Answers

1. The Easter Bunny made its way to Pennsylvania in the 1700s, thanks to immigrants from which European country who settled in the region?
GERMANY
2. Which town in Cornwall has become famous for the number of artists who are based there because of its light? **ST IVES**
3. What name for paper cut to a size of 8 inches by 13 inches took its name from a watermark in the shape of a jester's headgear that was originally used to identify it? **FOOLSCAP**
4. What orange originated in Yorkshire? **TERRY'S CHOCOLATE ORANGE**
5. Escritoire, flap-and-tambour, military and kneehole are all types of what? **DESK**
6. Who is the monarch of Spain? (no regnal number required)
KING FELIPE (VI)
7. Thai New Year, known as Songkran, takes place during which Spring month? **APRIL**
8. The Rite of Spring is a ballet by which Russian composer?
STRAVINSKY
9. In the Thunderbirds TV series, which son piloted Thunderbird Two?
VIRGIL (TRACEY)
10. In the Bible, who betrayed Jesus just before his crucifixion?
JUDAS



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- 10th June - Deadline for the Junior Writer's 500 words Showcase—see page 14
- 14th/15th July- NGS open garden at Wogsbarn Cottage, The Street.
More details to follow.

That would be good to go in the Rotherwick News!"

Thank you... to the people who have contributed to this month's magazine.

Please keep your articles and photos coming—they bring the magazine to life and it is so interesting to see and read about people we all know and love.

As always you can send photos and articles to rotherwicknews@yahoo.co.uk by 10th of the month. What could be easier?



Spotted in Rotherwick Answers

Front page: At the end of the public footpath that runs along edge of the woods behind Wedmans Lane.

The bench: next to the old bus shelter on Cowfold Lane.

The weather vane: Can be seen as you walk along the drive next to Brambles on Wedmans Lane.

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